

PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: : Docket: OT-4355
Baranda, et. al. : Date: April 12, 2001
Serial No. 09/218,990 : Group Art Unit: 3652
Filing Date: December 22, 1998 : Examiner: T. Tran

Title: TENSION MEMBER FOR AN ELEVATOR

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

3600 MAIL ROOM

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This is a response to the Restriction Requirement presented in an Office Action dated March 13, 2001. Applicants were presented with a requirement to restrict the present application to one of the following inventions:

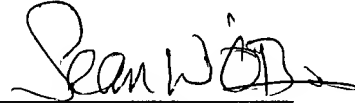
- I. Claims 1-3 and 5-23, drawn to a tension member; and
- II. Claims 24-50, drawn to a traction drive for an elevator system.

In response thereto, Applicants elect Invention I (claims 1-3 and 5-23) for further consideration in this Application. The remaining claims will be pursued in a divisional application.

Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No.
15-0750, Order No. OT-4355SWO.

Respectfully submitted,

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